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**Dear Commissioners:** 

I am writing on behalf of our Government Affairs Committee, Board of Directors and our business community regarding your proposed changes to the Environmental Portfolio Standards.

We are strongly opposed to the new environmental portfolio standards that are currently being considered by the Commission. The proposed standards will translate into hundreds of thousands of dollars in increases to businesses, municipalities, hospitals, public schools and residential consumers. The move will not only result in increased costs to these users, but further increases will result when our local electric company is forced to pass on the higher costs for being required to pay for more expensive renewable energy sources.

Our position is clear in that we oppose increases in the environmental portfolio surcharge. To absorb as much as a 40% increase by 2010 for renewable energy sources through purchased power agreements is unreasonable and by no means in the best interest of either residential or business community consumers.

We strongly urge you to carefully consider the impact of your decision in this process as the fallout from an unpopular ruling could become catastrophic at all levels.

Very truly yours,

**BULLHEAD AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE** 

Michael K. Conner, President/CEO

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